## **IN THE ABSTRACT**

Kindly amend the Abstract as follows, a clean copy of which is included on the following page. No new matter has been added to the Abstract.

The invention relates to a portable electronic object (1) consisting of including a "voice" user interface (2) containing sound signal-reception means (3) and a management unit (8) comprising which manages the received sound signal processing means (9a) signals. The invention is characterised in that it also comprises includes an ambient noise sensor (10) which can be used to measure the level of ambient noise (Bm). said The sensor being is connected to the aformementioned control unit. The invention is further characterised in that the The control unit also comprises comparison means (12a) which are used to compare compares the measured ambient noise level with a pre-defined noise level (Bo), and control means (13) which are arranged such as to includes controls that deactivate the sound signal-processing means when the ambient noise level exceeds the pre-defined noise level (Bm>Bo).

Figure 1

The invention relates to a portable electronic object including a "voice" user interface containing sound signal-reception and a management unit which manages the received sound signals. The invention includes an ambient noise sensor which can be used to measure the level of ambient noise (Bm). The sensor is connected to the aformementioned control unit. The control unit also compares the measured ambient noise level with a pre-defined noise level (Bo), and includes controls that deactivate the sound signal-processing means when the ambient noise level exceeds the pre-defined noise level (Bm>Bo).